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PHOTO INTELLIGENCE MEMORANDUM

VEL RADVAN, CZECHOSLOVAKIA, RADIO INSTALLATION

44°04'N 15°43'E

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This memorandum is in reply to a request from Mr. [REDACTED] OSI, for information on the Vel Radvan radio station. [REDACTED] supplied D/GP with an annotated ground photograph and a questionnaire on the radio installation. Three additional ground photographs were obtained from OCR/OR. Vertical photography was not available.

The height of the antenna towers, No's 1 and 2 could not be determined. Information provided by [REDACTED] that antenna tower No. 1 is 65 meters high appears reasonable.

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Item No. 7 is the base for tower No. 2. The sides are apparently of a stone or concrete construction.

Item No. 10 is probably either a water tank or a silo.

Item No. 11. The three objects are apparently the exposed portions of "deadmen" for three of the radio tower guy wires.

Tower No. 3 appears as a lattice, pyramid structure with the lower portion resembling a cross. The tower may be on the building which is partially obscured or it may be near or adjacent to this building.

A third radio tower visible on the photograph immediately to the left of power line pole No. 5 is apparently some distance beyond the

Central Building (No. 9). The tower appears to be a pole type antenna similar to No. 2.

A possible fourth and fifth antenna pole are faintly visible on the photography between the Central Building and tower No. 3. The two poles may be two power line poles or two pole antennas located at a greater distance than any of the other visible antennas.

No radio transmission lines could be identified on the photography.

The alignment of the visible portion of the security fence suggests that it surrounds the entire radio installation. No roads are visible.

There is no indication that the power line indicated by poles No's 4, 5 and 6 serves the area.

Map reference: AMS Series M671, Sheet V-10

Photo References: One unnumbered, annotated ground photograph supplied [REDACTED] and CIA 179305, 179306, 179307.

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